



# FUNDING ALERT



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## Federal Opportunities

**Million Solar Roofs Initiative Small Grant Program for State and Local Partnerships.** *The Department of Energy* solicits applications from State and Local Partnerships to catalyze market demand in local areas in order to contribute to the installation of one million solar energy systems in US rooftops by the year 2010. Any member of a State or Local Partnership, except industry associations, can apply on behalf of the Partnership, including builders, energy service providers, utilities, nonprofit organizations, and State and local governments. Up to \$50,000 will be awarded to 20-50 partnerships. Contact Ruth Adams at [ruth\\_adams@nrel.gov](mailto:ruth_adams@nrel.gov) or fax (303) 275-4788. Also see <http://www.golden.doe.gov/businessopportunities.html>.

**Selected Demonstration Projects for Youth Offenders.** *The Department of Labor* announces funds for youth employment and developmental activities, particularly to provide youth offenders, gang members, and at-risk youth ages 14-24 into long-term employment. Eligible entities include Workforce Investment Boards, local governments, and nonprofit organizations. The deadline is February 28, 2001. Approximately \$8 million is available nation-wide for 8-10 grants. Contact Denise Roach by fax at (202) 693-2879. Also see <http://www.wdsc.org/sga/view.htm>.

**Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers to Use Technology.** *The Department of Education* provides grants to consortia that are helping future teachers become proficient in the use of modern learning technologies. Only consortia may receive grants under this program: consortia may include

institutions of higher education, State and local educational agencies, nonprofit organizations, and other entities. The deadline is February 22, 2001. The estimated range of awards is \$200,000 to \$700,000. Contact Pat Pilkerton at (202) 502-7788 or [pat\\_pilkerton@ed.gov](mailto:pat_pilkerton@ed.gov). Also see <http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/index.html>.

**Mobile Source Outreach Assistance.** *The Environmental Protection Agency* announces funds for mobile source-related public education and outreach projects. Only air pollution control agencies are eligible for funding. The deadline is March 2, 2001. Approximately six agreements will be awarded, none to exceed \$100,000. For more information, contact Susan Bullard at (202) 564-9856 or [bullard.susan@epa.gov](mailto:bullard.susan@epa.gov). Also see <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/whatsnew.htm>.

## District Opportunities

**WIC-CSFP Food Center Grant.** *The DC Department of Health, Office of Nutrition Programs (ONP), Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) and the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)* announce funds to develop, plan, implement and manage a WIC-CSFP Food Center in the Anacostia Community of Washington, DC. The purpose of the WIC-CSFP Food Center grant is to provide nutritional assistance approximately 3,500 women, infants, children and seniors participating in the WIC or CSFP in the District of Columbia. The center will also house public and private adjunct health and social service programs for WIC and CSFP customers and the community. The deadline is January 25, 2001. One award of \$1,121,000 will be made. The deadline for submission is January 25,

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2001. Applications can be obtained from the Office of Research and Analysis, 717 14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20005. Contact (202) 727-6537. Also see [http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding\\_grants/index.shtm](http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm).

**Community Outreach Campaign.** *The DC Department of Health, Office of Nutrition Programs (ONP), Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)* solicits applications to develop, plan, implement and evaluate a comprehensive, aggressive community outreach campaign targeting pregnant women, new mothers, infants and children in under served groups. These under served groups include underrepresented ethnic groups, families living in homeless shelters and transitional housing, children in foster care, children with special health care needs, pregnant teenagers and teenage mothers, families making the transition from TANF to the workforce, and families enrolled in the DC Healthy Families Program. The deadline is January 31, 2001. One award of \$325,000 will be made. Applications are available from 717 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. Contact (202) 727-6537. Also see [http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding\\_grants/index.shtm](http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm)

**Education Professional Development Program.** *The DC Office of Postsecondary Education, Research and Assistance* solicits applications to design a program that provides teachers with skills needed to improve the quality of instruction in mathematics and science. The deadline for submitting applications is January 15, 2001. Applications may be obtained from 717 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. Contact (202) 727-6537. Also see [http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding\\_grants/index.shtm](http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm).

## Foundation Opportunities

**Unsung Heroes Awards for Teachers.** *Northern Life Insurance and the Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America* recognize K-12 educators who are pioneering new methods and techniques to improve student learning. All full-time education professionals are eligible. The deadline is April 30, 2001. 100 finalists will receive \$2,000 and the first place award is \$25,000. Contact (800) 537-4180 or [http://unsungheroes.com/unsung\\_info/about.html](http://unsungheroes.com/unsung_info/about.html)

## Resources & Announcements

**Introductory Guides to Grants Research.** If you are a beginning grantseeker or would like to advance your grants research skills, review these websites:

*Grants Research and Grantmaker Relations*  
<http://www.chardonpress.com/titles/research.html>  
Andy Robinson's *Grassroots Grants* has a chapter on grants research that lays out an effective way to select grantmakers to approach for funding. Chardon Press has this chapter available free.

*Researching Funding Sources on the Web*  
<http://www.zimmerman-lehman.com/internet.htm>  
Zimmerman Lehman's introduction to funding research on the web covers foundations, corporations, the Federal government, and individual donors.

*Guide to Funding Research & Resources*  
<http://fdncenter.org/onlib/ufg/>  
The Foundation Center's "Online Librarian" presents a general overview of the funding research process. Special attention is given to using the Foundation Center's resources. A glossary of terms is included for novice researchers.

*Research 101*  
<http://www.grantsdirect.com/Research101.htm>  
GrantsDirect outlines a research process that takes advantage of the detailed information available on foundations and corporations in IRS documents.

*How to Research Funders on the Internet*  
<http://www.icu.com/efs/research.htm>  
Marilyn Gross offers a broad description of the various electronic services and Internet sites available to grantseekers.

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